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Dear Resident,

Hazelwell Park

Your Stirchley & Hazelwell Councillors are pleased to inform residents about recent investment in and improvements to Hazelwell Park



Bulb Planting in Hazelwell Park

Working with the Friends of Hazelwell Park and Stirchley Neighbourhood Forum, a "Playbuilder" project (features which should be as naturalistic as possible, challenging and provide for variations in the local young population) which creates play provision for the 8 to 13 year old age group has been completed in *Hazelwell Park*.

In addition, your local Councillors have allocated funding for

- + new swings (two ordinary and one toddler) that have been located adjacent to the existing childrens play area,
- + daffodil bulbs - which were planted (by Councillors, local community groups and Stirchley Neighbourhood Police) last November; and
- + new wayfinding solar studs - which are shortly to be installed along the River Rea walkway/cycle route through *Hazelwell Park*

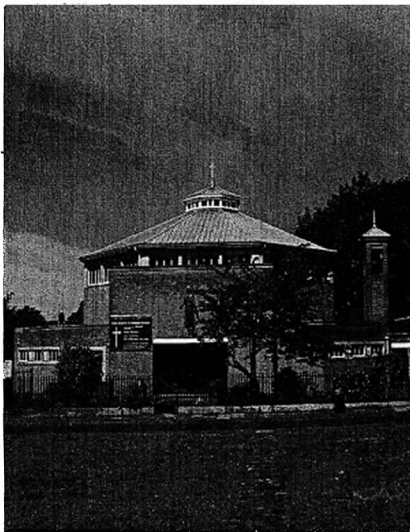
Improving the Environment ...

Your Stirchley & Hazelwell Councillors have been asked by local residents for measures to improve the local environment, such as the planting of street trees, to improve grass verges and prevent them from being churned up, litter bins and more dropped kerbs



... on the Dads Lane/Pineapple Estate

- ✚ bollards (painted Kings Heath Green) have recently been installed along Dads Lane (near Dane Grove) to protect the grass verges
- ✚ wooden trip railings have been located at the Lockton Road and Lyndworth Road junction and along Pineapple Road (opposite Avebury Road) to protect the grass verges
- ✚ new trees have been planted along Lyndworth Road, Pineapple Road and Derwent Grove and will be planted in Brent Road
- ✚ three new litter bins will be installed on the Estate - two in Pineapple Road and one at the Lyndworth Road junction with Derwent Road/Ashbrook Road
- ✚ dropped kerbs have been installed along Pineapple Road at the junctions with Pineapple Grove



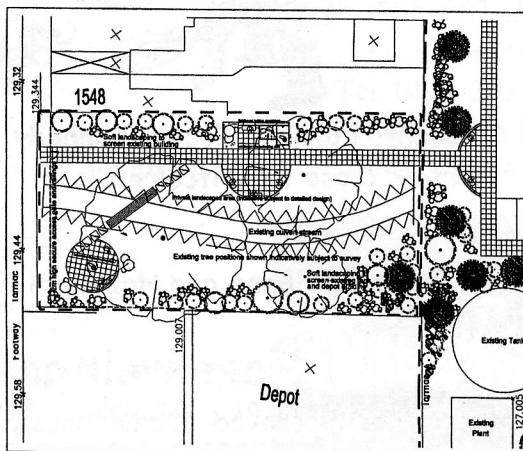
A survey of street name plates on the Estate will also be undertaken shortly to establish which can be restored and which need replacing.

Your local Councillors would also like to thanks all those residents who completed and returned the questionnaire asking all local residents what, if anything, residents would like to see happen to improve the piece of land outside the *Church Of The Ascension, Pineapple Grove* and for all additional comments about how to improve the Estate.

... in Stirchley Village

- ✦ To make crossing the junctions of roads with **Mary Vale Road** and **Bournville Lane** both safer and easier, new and renewed dropped kerbs have been installed and new and replacement pedestrian bollards (painted **Duchess Blue** to match other street furniture in Stirchley Village) have been installed
- ✦ Landscaping work will shortly commence on the pedestrian walkway for employees between the **Pershore Road** and **Lifford Business Park**, **Fordhouse Lane** (along the side of the brook) - see map below

PERSHORE ROAD



✦ Pedestrian guard railings have been (wherever necessary) repaired and repainted **Duchess Blue**

✦ Russian vines (prickly plants) have been planted in Stirchley Recreation Ground to help combat graffiti

...in Barn Close, The Worthings & Harvest Close

- ✦ bollards (painted **Duchess Blue** to match other street furniture in Stirchley Village) have recently been installed along **Barn Close** and **The Worthings** to protect the grass verges
- ✦ new trees have been planted along **The Worthings**
- ✦ your local Councillors have asked for comments/ideas from officers about how to improve the 'square' in **Harvest Close**

...in Lewis Road, Newlands Road & Pineapple Road

- ✦ bollards (painted **Duchess Blue** to match other street furniture in Stirchley Village) have recently been installed along **Newlands Road** and **Lewis Road** to protect the grass verges
- ✦ new trees have been planted along **Newlands Road** and **Lewis Road**
- ✦ new notice board at **Dads Lane Community Centre**, **Pineapple Road**

Making Stirchley and Hazelwell cleaner

Following on from the Bulk Refuse Collection organised for almost all of *Stirchley Village*, new collections have been organised for all of *Hazelwell Estate*. as part of your local Councillors ongoing aim of making Stirchley & Hazelwell 'cleaner, greener, brighter and safer' and to improve the quality of the local environment.

Details of what bulk refuse can be collected will be circulated to individual properties in the near future, but the dates for the collections are

Monday 12 April

County Close, Hazelwell Crescent, Falkland Croft, Kennedy Grove, Ivy Road, Millhaven Avenue, Norfolk Close and Pitcairn Close

Wednesday 14 April

Cornhill Grove, Edwin Road, Fordhouse Lane and Hazelwell Fordrough



Making Stirchley and Hazelwell greener

Birmingham's recycling record has improved tremendously and now Birmingham recycles almost 33% of our rubbish. Paper, cardboard, glass, tins, plastic bottles and green waste are now collected from the vast majority (over 97%) of properties in Stirchley and Hazelwell.

Birmingham is one of the best performing local authorities when it comes to reducing landfill, with landfill rates currently running at only 11%.



Most of Birmingham's rubbish is burnt to generate electricity and is achieved without causing air pollution - the bottom ash being reused as aggregate in road structures and in the manufacture of certain types of building materials. This avoids the need to excavate 'virgin' materials from quarries. (Unfortunately, unlike in most European cities, this re-use of materials does not count in the recycling figures, which if shown, would mean well over 50% of Birmingham's rubbish would be reused/recycled).